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RESOLUTION OF THE COMMONWEALTH TRANSPORTATION BOARD

May 17, 2007

MOTION

Made By:Mr. Schwartz Seconded By:Mrs. Connally Action: Motion Carried, Unanimously

<u>Title: Virginia Byway Designation – Route 15 and Business Route 15</u> Loudoun, Prince William, Fauquier, Culpeper, Madison and Orange Counties

WHEREAS, under the authority of §33.1-62 of the *Code of Virginia* (1950), as amended, the Commonwealth Transportation Board (CTB) is authorized to designate Virginia Byways in cooperation with the Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR) after providing notice and the opportunity for a hearing; and

WHEREAS, at the request of the Loudoun, Prince William, Fauquier, Culpeper, Madison and Orange Counties Boards of Supervisors, the staffs of DCR and the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) have reviewed and determined that the following routes substantially meet the criteria as Virginia Byways:

- Route 15 from the intersection with Route 50 to the intersection with Business Route 15 north of the Town of Warrenton
- Business Route 15 through the Town of Warrenton from the intersection with Route 15 north of the Town of Warrenton to the intersection with Route 15 south of the Town of Warrenton
- Route 15 from the intersection with Business Route 15 south of the Town Warrenton to the intersection with Business Route 15 north of the Town of Remington
- Business Route 15 through the Town of Remington from the intersection with Route 15 north of the Town of Remington to the intersection with Route 15 west of the Town of Remington

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- Route 15 from the intersection with Business Route 15 west of the Town of Remington to the intersection with Business Route 15 north of the Town of Culpeper
- Business Route 15 from the intersection with Route 15 north of the Town of Culpeper to the intersection with Route 15 south of the Town of Culpeper
- Route 15 from the intersection with Business Route 15 south of the Town of Culpeper to the intersection with Route 20 in the Town of Orange

WHEREAS, the DCR on May 31, 2006 recommended to VDOT that the routes herein described be designated as Virginia Byways; and

WHEREAS, the procedures required by §33.1-62 have been followed and the views of the citizens and local governing body have been considered; and

WHEREAS, while once designated, it is the sense of the CTB that such designation should not limit roadway improvements or maintenance by the VDOT, or prevent the CTB from exercising its general power and duties to locate, construct, improve and maintain all highways in the Commonwealth. Further, VDOT is directed to make every effort to ensure that the scenic integrity of Virginia's Byways are maintained in order to preserve and protect the unique natural resources, and promote and protect Virginia's vital tourism industry and the thousands of jobs associated therewith;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that Route 15 and Business Route 15 in Loudoun, Prince William, Fauquier, Culpeper, Madison and Orange Counties as herein described be designated as Virginia Byways.